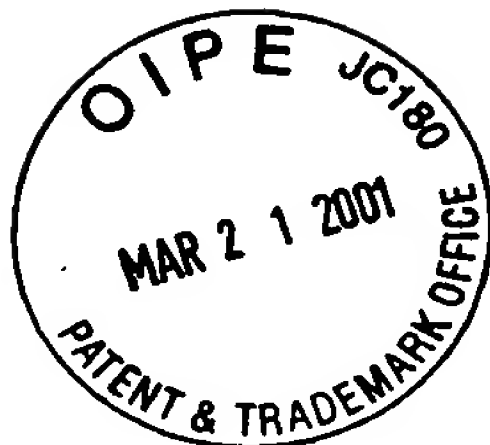


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RESPONSE

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action dated February 21, 2001, and having a one-month shortened statutory period for response. Claims 28-35 are pending in the application. Claims 28-35 are subject to restriction requirement. Applicants desire to reply as follows.

REMARKS

Claims 28-35 are pending. Claims 28-35 are subject to the following restriction requirement.

I. Restriction Requirement

Restriction to one of the following is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Group I. Claims 28-31, drawn to antibodies specific for modified chemokines, classified in class 530, subclass 387.1.

Group II. Claims 32-35, drawn to methods of inducing expression of factors *in vivo*, classified in class 424, subclass 577.

Applicants elect the invention of Group II, claims 32-35, with traverse. Since Group II was elected, applicants elect the species of SEQ No 5.